

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the title as follows:

~~ENDOGENOUS ENDOGENETIC RETROVIRAL SEQUENCES, ASSOCIATED WITH
AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES AND/OR~~ WITH PREGNANCY DISORDERS

Please add the following paragraph between the title and the first line of text as follows:

This is a Continuation of Application No. 09/446,024, which is a PCT National Stage of PCT/FR98/01442 filed July 6, 1998. The entire disclosure of the prior application is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.